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IF WITCHES WERE HORSES

NO!
WE'RE GOING BACK TO DRAQUEEN! THE LORD IS WAITING FOR US!
AND KICK SOME DEMON BUTT ON THE FRONTIER!
EAT LOCAL DELICACIES IN THE COUNTRY! YEAH!
I SAID..
LAZY BUM!
WHAT?! DEMONS AGAIN?! I'M TIRED, RATH.
THE LORD TOLD US TO GO FIGHT DEMONS.
GASP!
GASP
GASP
WHY ARE YOU SO PISSED OFF, MAN?
PUT DOWN YOUR SWORD, RUNE!
SAVE THE FOOD!!
SHUT UP AND LISTEN TO ME!!
REALLY?!
YOU'RE SERIOUS, I ER?
THE LORD ALSO TOLD US TO GET BACK SOON!
.....

HOW CAN YOU TWO SIT AROUND STUFFING FOOD INTO YOUR FACES AT A TIME LIKE THIS?!
HM?
NOW THAT THE MISSION'S ACCOMPLISHED, WE SHOULD...
WE WERE ON A MISSION FROM THE DRAGON LORD TO RETRIEVE THE HEAD OF OUR DREADFUL ENEMY, NADIL!
RELAX AND TELL THE READERS WHAT'S UP.
YOU DON'T LIKE YOUR PICKLES?
READERS? HUH? ...OH!
WHAT'S THE MATTER?

ME AND MY BIG MOUTH.
YOU MEAN THERE ARE DEMONS AROUND?! CAN WE FIGHT 'EM?! PLEASE, RUNE!
EAT... US?
YOU'RE JUST LAZY, THAT'Z.
HE'LL DRAG US INTO IT.
WHY'D YOU HAVE TO GET HIM ALL WORKED UP?
THEY HAVEN T NOTICED THEY RE IN AN ILLUSIONARY TOWN.
MASTER, THEY LOOK DELI-CIOUS.
RELAX OR YOU'LL SNAP.
IT'S JUST A JOB.
SIT DOWN AND EAT.
GOT A PROB-LEM?!
YOU'RE SUCH A BROWN-NOSER, RUNE. IT'S NOT LIKE THE BOSS MAN CAN SEE US NOW.
WHAT ?!
IF WE LET OUR GUARD DOWN, THE ENEMY MIGHT COME AND EAT US.

WHAT'S WRONG WITH THAT?!
YOU'RE ALWAYS THINKING WITH YOUR SWORD!
COME ON! TELL ME!
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NO!!
OH, SO THERE IS SOMETHING, EH? TELL ME!
DON'T TELL HIM, RUNE!
DON'T WORRY! I WON'T TELL HIM ABOUT THE MAN-EATING WITCH!
A MAN-EATING WITCH!
YOU DOOFUS!
はっ!!

WE COULD MAKE THEM INTO A HOT AND SPICY CHINESE SOUP!
YOU MUST BE EXCITED, CESIA.
A MEAT DINNER AFTER SO LONG...
AFTER ALL, I AM A WITCH'S FOSTER CHILD.
I'LL USE AN ILLUSION.
BUT YOU ATE IT THE OTHER DAY!
USE THE ONE-EYED MONSTER.
I'LL FIRE UP THE CAULDRON, TEE HEE HEE.
LURE THEM INTO THE HOUSE IN MISTY VALLEY.
YES, MASTER.

I'M IN A LOT OF TROUBLE! WON'T YOU HELP ME?
KICKING DEMON BUTT?
YOU BET I'M IN! GUYS?
ALRIGHT. LET'S GET IT OVER WITH.
COUNT ME OUT. IT'S A WASTE OF TIME.
WAKE ME UP WHEN YOU'RE DONE.
THATZ!
IF YOU HELP ME..
...I'LL PAY YOU.

LET'S GO KICK SOME WITCHY BUTT!
YOU CAN'T. SHE'S DEAD.
DID SOMEONE GET TO HER ALREADY?!
A ONE-EYED MONSTER ATE HER.
HERE'S YOUR BILL!
DID YOU JUST SAY A ONE-EYED MONSTER ATE HER?!
IT'S A TERRIBLE MONSTER IN MISTY VALLEY.
I NEED A FEW BRAVE, HANDSOME, STRONG WARRIORS TO GET RID OF IT.

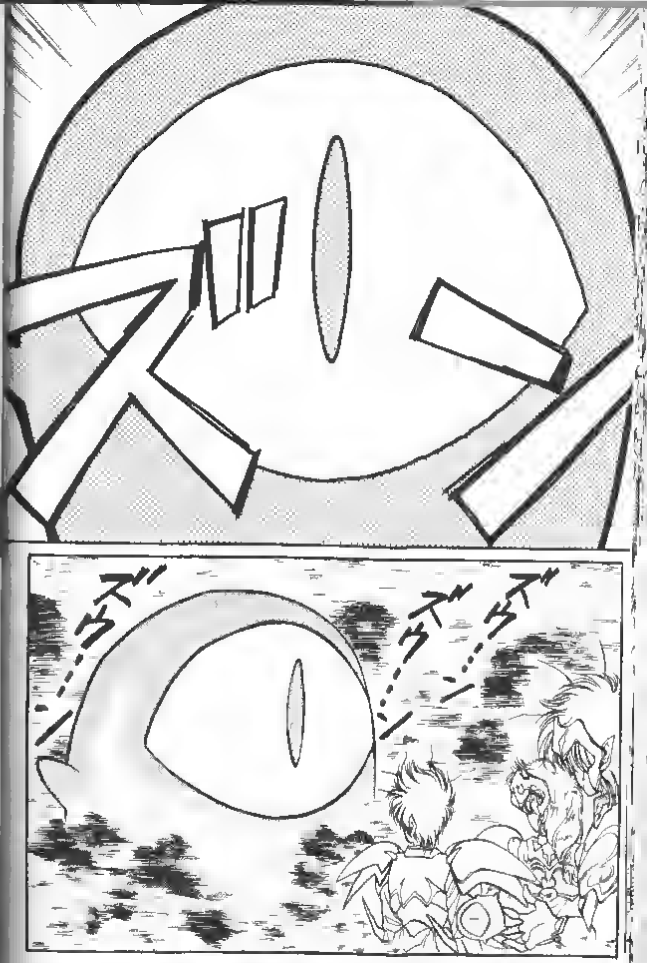
WHERE'D ALL THAT WIND COME FROM?
WIND!
IT'S ALL GOOD... SAVES US TIME.
WHERE ARE WE?
SOMETHING DOESN'T FEEL RIGHT...
DID YOU FEEL THAT? I FELT SOMETHING WEIRD.
IS IT THE ONE-EYED MONSTER?!
WHERE'S THE MONEY?! ♪

I WON'T LET HIM GET AWAY!
WELL, WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SO? LET'S GET GOING! ♪
WHY'S MISTY VALLEY RIGHT OUTSIDE?
WHERE DID THE TOWN GO?
HEE HEE!
HM?
WHAT?

EARTH DRAGON!
WATER DRAGON!!
..KNIGHTS?
ARE THEY...
.....
FIRE DRAGON!!
WHATEVER IT IS, LET'S FINISH IT UP AND GO HOME!
SHUT UP!
RUNE! THAT'S!
LET'S BRING OUT THE DRAGONS!
Oh boy

HMM?
What was that?
RATH! RUNE! I THINK I SEE IT!
AND IT LOOKS LIKE A MONSTER BUT I DON'T KNOW.
WELL, IT'S ONE-EYED.
IS THIS OUR GUY?
IT'S GOTTA BE BIG ENOUGH TO EAT A WITCH! NOT THIS GUY.
HMM?!
I AM SO BUSTED...
SHIVER
MAYBE I SHOULD RUN...
MASTER WILL PUNISH ME!
THE KNIGHTS ARE GOING THE WRONG WAY!
WHERE'S THE MONSTER?
YEE-HAW! THIS FEELS GOOD!
BLOWWW
DRAGON KNIGHTS?! NO WAY!
WHAT'S GOING ON IN DRA-QUEEN?!

YUP! THAT SURE LOOKS LIKE IT COULD EAT A WITCH!
THAT'S IT!
WHERE'S THE MOUTH?
I'M NOT A WITCH!
MY REAL PARENTS SOLD ME TO MY MASTER!
I'M A TRAGIC HEROINE!
A BIG GUY'S GOTTA HAVE SOME-THING TO EAT WITH!
BUT, I CAN'T JUST ABANDON HER.
I OWE HER FOR HAVING RAISED ME.



I CAN'T FORSAKE THE MASTER.
I HAVE TO LURE THEM INTO THE HOUSE.
HMM
IT DIDN'T WORK?!
CATCH
WHAT'S THIS MONSTER MADE OF?!
BOINK
I'M SUCH A GOOD GAL!
ECSTATIC

?
LET'S GO, EARTH!
WE'LL GO HOME AFTER THIS, WATER!
GO, FIRE!
IT'LL BE A SCRUMPTIOUS DINNER...

SILENCE
HM?
?
BEHOLD THE POWER OF NADIL'S HEAD!
RATH! DON'T LOOK! IT'S DANGEROUS!
IT DIDN'T WORK ...?
WHAT THE...!
WIND!
TAKE THEM TO THE HOUSE!

LET'S TRY THIS!
DON'T WASTE YOUR ENERGY.
RATH! I HAVE AN IDEA!
ALRIGHT, TAKE THIS!
SERIOUS
NADIL'S HEAD!
TRY WHAT?
CATCH, RATH!
YOU WANNA SEE IF THAT'S TRUE?
THEY SAY NADIL'S POWERFUL DEAD OR ALIVE.
UH-HUH.

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AAAAAGH!

FLASH
WHAT'S HAPPENING?!
?!

.....
A TRAGIC LITTLE GIRL S SAVED!
THANK YOU!
I DON T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED, BUT...
OH, NO...
LATER...
HM?
I HEARD THE DRAGON KNIGHTS DEFEATED THE MAN-EATING WITCH.
THEY ARE NO HASTING TIME HERE AGAIN!

POP
I THINK THIS GUY'S *MORE* POWERFUL *DEAD.*
SORRY ½ ...
YOU'VE GOT THE MONSTER. STOP BEFORE YOU *BLOW UP* THE WHOLE VALLEY!
RATH! PUT THAT THING AWAY!
OOPS!
COVER

WHAT?

BUT I THOUGHT WE KILLED THE ONE-EYED MONSTER

A MAN-EATING WITCH?

RIGHT?

We didn't get paid!

Whoa'd the girl go?

THEY'RE BUSY LATELY. I WONDER WHO THEY ARE?

THEY'RE LYKOULEON'S TOP WARRIORS, RIGHT?

DID YOU HEAR THE TERRIBLE NEWS?

THE *SPIRIT OF THE DARK SWAMP* BROKE THE SEAL!

ALRIGHT!

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DRAGON KNIGHTS

RATH!

IF WITCHES WERE HORSES • END

IT SEALED AWAY THE SWAMP'S EVIL SPIRIT FOR A LONG TIME.
THE DRAGON LORD GAVE US A TALISMAN, THE PHOENIX FEATHER, TO PROTECT OUR VILLAGE.
COSTA RICA VILLAGE IS DANGEROUSLY CLOSE TO THE DARK SWAMP.
WE LIVED IN PEACE.
DON'T LOOK SO HAPPY!
PSYCHO!
SO, THE TALE IS TRUE! THERE IS A DEMON!
THE SPIRIT CAME BACK ...
BUT A MONTH AGO, A MAN CAME
AND TOOK OUR FEATHER.
IT STOLE LORD LYKOULEON'S TALISMAN!
Here, reader!

I DON'T KNOW, THATZ. WE CAN'T AFFORD IT.
WE WISH WE COULD.
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WAIT A SECOND... THE SIGN SAYS THERE'S A REWARD!
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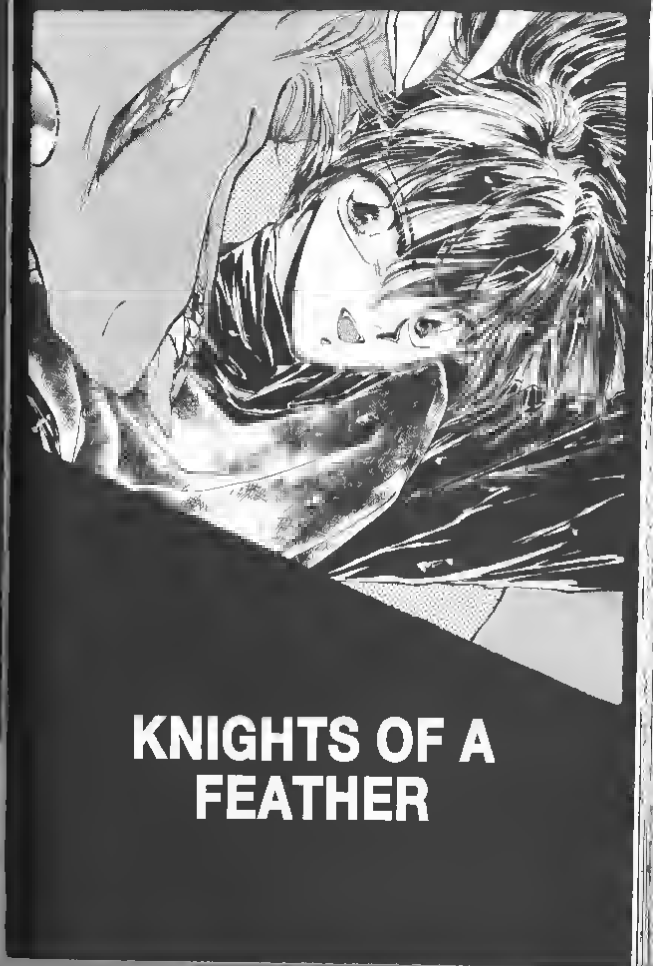
WHAT'S THE POINT?
THATZ!
DON'T WORRY 'BOUT IT.
SIRS, WE DON'T HAVE MUCH FOOD LEFT TO OFFER.
I APOLOGIZE.
WHAT'S WITH THE FOOD?!
UH...
ARE YOU HERE TO BEAT THE DEMON?
FINE! JUST CALM DOWN!
I'LL DO IT BY MYSELF!



KNIGHTS OF A FEATHER

IT'S A TERRIBLE DEMON THAT TURNS ALL MEN THAT CHALLENGE IT INTO SOUP! ARE YOU GONNA BE OKAY?
JUST MEN?
WELL...
PYORE, GET DRESSED. IT'S TIME TO GO TO THE CASTLE.
THE SWAMP SPIRIT'S CASTLE?

WAIT, NO! THE SPIRIT PLAYED ALL THE MEN IN THE VILLAGE
AND LEFT NOTHING BUT THEIR BONES!
WE CAN'T LET YOU DO THIS! PLEASE LEAVE!
HOW BRAVE..
?
IMPRESSED
OF COURSE!
WE CAME RIGHT AWAY WHEN WE HEARD ABOUT IT.

NOT TO WORRY.
WE'D APPRECIATE IT, BUT THERE'S NO REWARD.
HE DOESN'T HAVE THE HEART!
IS HE BEING NICE?
IMPRESSED
YOU'RE SO KIND...
I CAN'T STAND BY AND LET THIS INJUSTICE CONTINUE! I DON'T CARE HOW DANGEROUS IT IS, I WILL HELP YOU!

I BELIEVE YOU'LL HELP ME.
BUT I HAVE HOPE.
I HAVE AN IDEA!
ぽん!
YOU JUST WANNA HUNT DEMONS.
OF COUSE I WILL! I'LL SLASH 'EM AND YOU CAN COOK 'EM FOR DINNER!
WELL, I'M NOT GOING AND RUNE IS SUCH A GIRLIE-GIRL.
He's already like a woman.
WHAT THE ...?
RATH! YOU GO INSTEAD OF HER, IN DRAG!
REALLY?!
FINE, I'LL DO IT.
Weavotos

I DON'T KILL JUST TO KILL.
YOU'LL EAT THIS ONE TOO, I SUPPOSE?
YOU'RE BACK EARLY SIR.
I MUST FIRST CHALLENGE THEM IN ORDER TO ENJOY IT.
ANOTHER SERVANT'S COMING FROM THE VILLAGE TODAY.
COSTA RICA VILLAGE WILL PAY FOR THAT!
NADIL'S ARMY MOCKED ME AGAIN TODAY.
NONE OF THEM CAME BACK.
MY SISTERS AND FRIENDS WENT TO THE CASTLE.

I'LL BRING YOU DINNER, PYORE!
HE DRESSED IN DRAG FOR OUR VILLAGE? MY HERO!
IMPRESSED
SHE'S IN HER OWN WORLD, TOO...
WHY ARE DEMONS STILL MEDDLING, EVEN AFTER WE KILLED NADIL?
A MAN TOOK THE FEATHER A MONTH AGO.
NADIL WAS DEAD BY THEN.
WAIT A SECOND... HOW DO I GET TO THE CASTLE?

HOW DO I LOOK?
nice apron dress, huh? ♪
TA-DA!
...WHICH MEANS I CAN KICK BUTT ALL BY MYSELF!
a bit ?
He's really into the part!
I'M GOING INSTEAD OF PYORE...
GOSH, I KNOW THAT, HONEY!♡
WINK
YOU'LL BE SOUP IF THEY FIND OUT!
WORK ON YOUR VOICE FIRST!
LATER, GUYS. ♪

AAAAA!!
Do you know what you're doing?
UH...
THIS IS THE PROPER WAY TO PLOUGH! I WON'T CHARGE MUCH FOR MY EXPERT ADVICE.
BUT YOU NEED A LESSON!
I CAN'T PAY.
BAM
I'D HAVE GIVEN YOU SOME REWARD, IF THE SPIRIT DIDN'T TAKE IT AWAY.
UH... being sarcastic?
SORRY, I LET YOU WORK FOR FREE.
WHAT?! BUT THE WORK'S ALL DONE!
YOUR TURN.
GOT IT?

UH-HUH. HE HUNTS DEMONS ALL THE TIME.
IS RATH GOING TO BE OK?
OH...
DIG
.....
HMM.
SIR, WHERE'S THE SWAMP CASTLE?
IS IT YOUR TURN, YOUNG LADY? GOOD LUCK!
HEY, GIMME THAT!
HUH? BUT...

THEY'LL RISK THEIR LIVES FOR FRIENDS!
WHAT BRAVE KNIGHTS!
THAT SOUND ...
HUH?
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THE CASTLE'S DOWN THE STAIRS.
WATCH YOUR STEP.

YOU MEAN THE SWAMP CASTLE IS FULL OF GOLD?!
WHEN WE HAD THE PHOENIX FEATHER, WE HAD A GOLD MINE AND MONEY.
YES. FROM US AND ALL THE OTHER VILLAGES.
♡ !!!
THE SPIRIT?!
RUNE !!
FORGET THAT! LET'S GO!!
WHAT?! I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T CARE.
TO THE SWAMP CASTLE! COME ON!

HMM.
A CHEERFUL YOUNG LADY.
I WAS GOING TO CATCH HIM OFF-GUARD.
BUT HE FOUND ME.
WHY'S THE MASTER OF THE CASTLE ANSWERING THE DOOR?
I'LL GIVE YOU A JOB.
IF YOU CAN'T DO IT, YOU'LL DIE.
THE SPIRIT OF THE SWAMP IS ONE OF NADIL'S YOKAI?!

BE CAREFUL OR...
....
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YOU'RE SCHEDULED TO WORK EVERY THREE DAYS.
BUT IF YOU CAN'T CUT IT YOU'LL BE SOUP, JUST LIKE THE MEN.
GOOD LUCK.
ヒヒヒ...
THANK YOU, SIR.♪
OUCH!
I TRIPPED ON THE SKIRT.

MAYBE YOU'LL FIND WHAT YOU WANT, IF YOU SEARCH HARD.
IS HE TALKING ABOUT THE PHOENIX FEATHER?
MAYBE HE REALLY DID PUT IT HERE TO TRICK ME...
SO... NOW WHAT?
.....
HA! LIKE YOU'D PUT IT RIGHT HERE!
I'M NOT THAT STUPID!
SORT ALL OF THE FEATHERS ...
...IN THIS ROOM. YOU HAVE THREE DAYS.
EASY, ISN'T IT?
!!!
WHAT?! WAIT A..!
I'LL LET YOU OUT AND FEED YOU WHEN YOU FINISH.
I'M TRAPPED!

TSK, TSK!
ISN'T IT HORRIBLE? GANGS ATTACKED ME.
I'M GONNA PUKE.
WHAT?!
POOR GIRL! HOW COULD ANYONE SCAR A WOMAN'S FACE?
YOU WERE SLASHED?!
RUNE ...
WHAT'S THE MATTER?
YOU'RE AS LOW AS ME!
UH-HUH.
I...UH... I'M SO SCARED OF GOING TO THE CASTLE!
OH, THERE'RE THREE OF US THIS TIME.
A SERVANT ALREADY CAME.
YEAH ...
THE MASTER CHANGES HIS MIND QUICKLY.
WE'RE SER-VANTS ...
UH...
HALT! WHAT DO YOU WANT?!
GO.
I WAS SLASHED!
UM.... THIS IS... UH...
SHOOT! MAYBE HE FOUND OUT!
WHAT'S THAT SCAR ON YOUR FACE?
YOU, IN THE BACK!
HOLD IT!

YES I AM, YOU IDIOT!
YOU'RE NOT MY MASTER !!!
I'M...
...IN DRAC!
HOW SHAMEFUL
SHUT UP!
I NEED YOUR HELP.
CAN YOU SENSE THE PHOENIX FEATHER IN THERE?

OOPS.
HEY, FIRE.
COME OUT!
GOTTA KEEP QUIET.
!!
FIRE!

WHERE'S NADIL'S HEAD NOW?
THE DRAGON KNIGHTS TOOK IT AWAY.
NADIL'S ARMY IS TRYING TO GET IT BACK.
WE'LL GET TO IT BEFORE THEY DO!
AND WE CAN BECAUSE ...
.....
DID YOUR LITTLE DRAGON GET YOU OUT?
...WE HAVE A DRAGON KNIGHT!

WHY ARE YOU IN DRAG?
NO? I KNEW IT WASN'T HERE! LET'S GO!
YOU'RE ENJOYING IT.
IN CASE THAT YOKAI SPOTS ME!
THOSE ARE FIGHTING WORDS, DRAGONBREATH!
NADIL HAD HIS HEAD CUT OFF?
GET BACK IN THE SWORD!
!!
WHAT A SHAME.
ARE MERE KIDS.
LORD LYKOULEON'S DRAGON KNIGHTS

YOU'RE SUCH AN AMATEUR!
SURE!
LIKE HELL I WILL!
I'LL TOAST THE WHOLE SWAMP!

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME YOU KNEW I WAS A GUY
MAN!
BEFORE I ROLLED DOWN THE STAIRS IN A SKIRT?!
OH, WELL.
I'LL TAKE YOU DOWN NOW!
GIVE ME NADIL'S HEAD!

THATZ!
NOW, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE.
HE'D GO INTO A DEMON'S BELLY FOR TREASURE ....
LOOK HOW HAPPY YOU ARE.
THIS FAIRY ORNAMENT WILL SELL FOR A GOOD PRICE.
LOOK!
RUNE! I FOUND THE TREASURE! JUST LIKE THE GUARD SAID!
DON'T MOVE TOO MUCH!
I MIGHT DROP THE LOOT.
I KNOW, BUT...
WE'RE HEAVIER THIS TIME..
HA-
?!

AAAGH
YOU LOOK VERY TASTY.
SHOOT!!
I'VE NEVER EATEN A DRAGON KNIGHT BEFORE.
YOUR BRAIN WILL TELL ME WHERE THE HEAD IS, TOO... WHEN I EAT IT!
I CAN'T LET HIM!

YES! JUST DO IT!
It's hot!!
THE PHOENIX FEATHER IS IN THIS?
WHY ISN'T HE DEAD YET?
HM?
CRACK!
WHERE DOES HIS LIFE FORCE COME FROM?!
THATZ, CRACK THAT LOOT OPEN!
THE PHOENIX FEATHER IS IN THERE!
!
AAAAOH!! MY LOOT'S CHIPPED!
...
RUNE? THATZ?
WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?
UNFOR-TUNATELY, I'M GETTING EATEN BY THIS DEMON.
BUT, YOU SOUND PRETTY CALM!
FIRE'S RINGING?!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING UP THERE, RATH?

OOH, YOU MADE IT!
WE'RE BACK! ♪
..AND NADIL'S HEAD.
...ABOUT NADIL...
HE'D DRAG US BACK TO DRAQUEEN IF I TOLD HIM...
JUST PLAYING. I HAVE A SPECIAL LIFE FORCE, Y'KNOW!
THEN, WHAT WERE YOU DOING IN THERE?
MAY I ASK WHAT'S IN IT?
NO, THANK YOU!
THANKS!
HERE'S YOUR PACKAGE!
.....
THE PHOENIX FEATHER ?!
I BELIEVE YOU LOST THIS?
OR NOT...
I'M KID-DING!
A HEAD!
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PHEW.
FREE AT LAST!
WHAT, NO MORE DRAG?
I'M NOT AS FORGIVING AS LORD LYKOULEON.
I WON'T JUST SEAL YOU AWAY THIS TIME, YOKAI.
フォオオ
YOU'D BE DEAD IF WE HADN'T SHOWN UP.
NAH. THAT DEMON WASN'T SO TOUGH!
THATZ MADE ME!
Forget it!

HOW CAN I REPAY YOU?

BY TELLING US WHERE TO FIND MORE DEMONS!

OW!

HMMM?

WHAT?

WHAT'S THE QUICKEST WAY TO DRA-QUEEN?

NOW, MY VILLAGE WILL RETURN TO NORMAL.

THANK YOU, RATH, THATZ, AND RUNE!

OH...

FORGET IT! I GOT THE BOOTY!

AREN'T WE GOING HOME?!

ANY DEMONS THERE?

LET'S EXCHANGE THESE FOR CASH AT CEZARRE!

WHAT HAPPY GUYS!

■KNIGHTS OF A FEATHER • END■

THE MEMPHIS KINGDOM USED TO BE PEACEFUL.
PRINCESS MELNINI AND PRINCE EUCLID WERE HAPPILY MARRIED
PRINCE EUCLID WAS A YOUNG, BRAVE FIGHTER FROM ANOTHER KINGDOM.
AND HE WAS OUR HERO.
BUT,
GOW, A BAD FAIRY, HAD PLANS FOR THE COUPLE.
A BAD FAIRY?
RIGHT!
SO, THEN THE PRINCE DISAPPEARED,
THE PRINCESS GOT SICK, AND DEMONS SHOWED UP.
OUR ONLY HOPE NOW IS THE PRINCESS'S UNBORN CHILD.
BUT THE PRINCESS IS SO YOUNG, AND HER PARENTS PASSED AWAY.

KNIGHTS IN WHITE SATIN
THE INVISIBLE DEMON USUALLY SHOWS UP NEAR THE MEMPHIS CASTLE.
THIS THING TEARS THROUGH THE STREETS, RIPPING UP HOUSES IN ITS SEARCH FOR THE PRINCESS.
IT DOESN'T APPEAR AT NIGHT, THOUGH.
AN INVISIBLE DEMON...
RATH WOULD LOVE TO HEAR THIS.
DUNNO.
DOES IT WANT TO .. EAT HER?
THANKS!
THANK GOD HE'S NOT HERE!
HEY, RUNE!
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CK!

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE MISSED 'EM BEFORE!
?
THE DRAGON QUEEN'S "DRAGON EYES"!
RECOGNIZE THESE?
THE MIRACLE TREASURE!
THE REAL DEAL, SEALED IN THE QUEEN'S EYES.
DRAGON EYES?!
HMM. THE MIRACLE TREASURE, DRAGON EYES...
C'MON, WHAT?!
! YOU DIDN'T ...?
SAY, RUNE...
よかったー
WE'LL BE BACK IN DRAQUEEN SOON!
WHAT'D MISS?
WHAT? HEAR WHAT?
YOU DIDN'T HEAR, DID YOU?!
RATH !!
DEMON HUNTING TIME! ♫♫
A STORE OWNER TOLD ME ABOUT A DEMON IN THE MEMPHIS CASTLE.
I'm dead!!
...GUESS WHAT WE FOUND?!
WHEN WE EXCHANGED THE TREASURE FOR MONEY...
BY THE WAY,

I MEAN,
WE'VE GOT TO GET THEM BOTH BACK.
COME ON!
FORGET RUNE! HE'S GOT MY FOOD!
SEEZ ...δ
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MY FAVORITE JAM AND EVERYTHING...
BW!
I GOT IT!
WHA?!

THE LORD SAID THEY MAKE THEIR OWNER'S WISH COME TRUE!
!!
HEY!
WHY WERE THEY IN THE SWAMP CASTLE?
DUNNO.
THAT THING'S GOT RUNE!

THIS IS MEMPHIS CASTLE?!
LET GO OF ME! I'M BUSY! I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO DRAQUEEN!
HEAR US OUT!
PLEASE WAIT!
WE NEED YOUR HELP.
MY APOLOGIES. THERE WAS NO TIME TO EXPLAIN.
YOU WELCOME PEOPLE BY KIDNAPPING THEM?!
...TOWARDS MEMPHIS CASTLE?

GO!
STOP THEM, EARTH DRAGON!
RUNE HAS THE OTHER EYE.
WHO WAS THAT? HE WASN'T A DEMON.
EARTH'S GOING AFTER HIM.
BUT, ISN'T HE HEADING...

SO, WHAT IS IT THAT YOU NEED?
PLEASE.
LOOK.
THE PRINCESS MELNIN!...
...AND HER FIANCÉ, PRINCE EUCLID.

WOW! HE LOOKS EXACTLY LIKE HER!
TOLD YOU SO.
...
WHAT?
I'M THE GRAND CHAMBERLAIN. PLEASE HELP US...!
YOU'RE IN CHARGE, HUH?

THE EVIL FAIRY, GOW, HID THE PRINCE AWAY, AND MADE THE PRINCESS SICK.
NOW AN INVISIBLE DEMON RAVAGES OUR VILLAGE LOOKING FOR THE PRINCESS.
IT SAYS IT'LL STOP IF WE GIVE HER UP.
.....
THANK YOU FOR UNDER-STAND-ING. ♪
LET'S GET READY.
WHAT ?!
BUT I'M A MAN.
WHAT IF IT FINDS OUT?!
NOT TO WORRY. WE HIRED GUARDS FOR YOU.
UH...
WHAT?

NO, NO, NO!! NO WAY!! I'M NOT GONNA DRESS IN DRAG AGAIN!
SO, IF YOU WOULD...
THE INVISIBLE DEMON WANTS THE PRINCESS, RIGHT? I'M NOT DOING IT! NOT THIS TIME!
I KNEW IT!
HOW D YOU KNOW? I DIDN'T SAY A WORD.
THIS KING-DOM'S CURSED.
FROM DISEASE.
SHE PASSED AWAY
PASSED AWAY?
SHE RAN AWAY ...?
THE PRINCESS ...IS GONE
IT'S NOT PUBLIC KNOWL-EDGE.
TELL THE PRINCESS
TO BE BRAVE, LIKE A MEMBER OF THE ROYAL FAMILY!

I WISH THE DRAGON LORD COULD SEE YOU NOW...
SHUT UP!!
THERE YOU GO. PRETTY AS A PICTURE!
PLEASE, BEHAVE LIKE THE PRINCESS.
YOUR HIGH-NESS!
WE'VE GOT YOUR BACK.
YOU'RE NOT HELPING.
DOES HE REALLY NEED HELP?
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SO, YOU'RE GOING IN DRAG AGAIN, RUNE?
YOU'RE WEIRD, DUDE.
READY TO SERVE, SIR!
TADAA
バーン!
RELAX. IT'S GOOD MONEY!
Demon Demon♡
WHY?
WHY?!!
I HATE YOU ALL!
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HE'S SO DEAD.
HUH?
HE'LL BE FINE! HE'S A PRO!
SWING THOSE HIPS MORE!
JUST COVER ME, GOT IT?!
THATZ!
KINDA SCARY.
SOMEONE'S GOT A TEMPER.
BLOWW

WAIT HERE?
BUT I THOUGHT THE DEMON DOESN'T SHOW UP AT NIGHT.
THE INVISIBLE DEMON REQUESTED IT.
THANKS FOR YOUR HELP, CHAMBERLAIN. WE'LL TAKE IT FROM HERE!

MELVININ?
IS IT YOU?
HERE IT COMES!
HM? WHAT'S GOING ON?
I DON'T WANT YOU TO SEE ME. I'M VERY UGLY ...
UH...
LET ME SEE YOU.
.....
BUT, I INSIST.
I WONDER IF THE DEMON WILL SHOW.
YEAH, BUT I'M MORE WORRIED ABOUT THE BAD FAIRY.
YEAH?
IT SHOULD, "PRINCESS MELNINI'S" HERE.
HM... ...
IT'S HERE
!

IF SHE'S ALIVE, MY SPELL WILL BE BROKEN!
WHAT IN BLAZES ?!
WHAT?! PRINCESS MELNINI'S ALIVE?!
BUT I MADE HER SICK AND KILLED HER!
THEY TRICKED ME WITH A FAKE GIRL!
I ALWAYS BELIEVED...
?
LOOK! THERE IT IS!
RATH, THATZ! WAIT!
PRIN-CESS MELNI-NI...
I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU...
...CRYING!
THE DEMONS....

I THOUGHT YOU GOT SICK LIKE I DID.
YOUR EYES...
PRINCE EUCLID...
DON'T MIND ME.
I...
I'M GLAD YOU'RE SAFE.
BUT THE PRINCESS ISN'T HERE...
HE THINKS I'M THE PRINCESS!
HERE IT COMES!

EU...
YOU'D BREAK THE BAD FAIRY'S SPELL....
PRINCE EUCLID!
WOW!
YOU'VE BEEN A DEMON...
... FOR A LONG TIME?
HE'S ALMOST DEAD, ANYWAY!
BUT I CAN STILL TORTURE HIM!
I JUST HAVE TO GET THE PRINCESS!
HE'S BACK TO NORMAL!
CURSES!
AAAAGH!!
OH, NO!

GET OUT OF MY WAY!
I'LL BANISH YOU FROM THE COMIC!
ギャーそき
WHAT?!
IS THAT SO?
ANY LAST WORDS? MAKE 'EM SHORT!
HERE'RE SOME LAST WORDS! YOU'LL ALL BE DEAD UNHAPPILY EVER AFTER!
LAST WORDS?! SURELY YOU JEST!

!!
YOU TRICKED ME, AND BROKE MY SPELL, TOO!
SO, YOU'RE ALIVE, MELNIN!
BUT FIRST, I'LL KILL YOU IN FRONT OF HIM, MELNIN!
BUT I SET HIM UP! I LOVED TORTURING HIM!
THAT COCKY PRINCE ALMOST SEALED ME AWAY,
HE'LL BE DEAD SOON! HA, HA!

I'LL SWALLOW YOU UP IN FLAMES !!
THAT'S!
GOT IT. I'M READY.
YOUR TURN
GO!
HE'S AFTER THE PPWARD

FIRE ?!
I'VE GOT FIRE, TOO!
GIVE ME STRENGTH, LORD LYKOULEON ...
THEY'LL BEAT THE BAD FAIRY.
I'M SORRY THAT I HAVE TO FOOL YOU...
THEN, YOU'LL BE OK.
I WISH THE REAL PRINCESS WERE HERE!
YOU DONE?!
SHUT UP, THEN.

...THE DRAGON EYES.
THE DRAGON QUEEN'S TREASURE...
GIMME MY PAYCHECK!
THAT'S IT!
HEY, YOU CHEATED!!
I'LL MAKE YOU PAY FOR THIS!
UGH!

IMPOSSIBLE!
AARGH!

IS IT A DRAGON EYES MIRACLE, MAYBE?
OH, I GOT IT!
HERE'S MY IDEA! WHENEVER WE NEED CASH, WE CAN DRESS RUNE IN DRAG AND--
FORGET IT!

PRIN-CESS MEL-NINI...
.....
it is she!

FINDERS KEEPERS

■KNIGHTS IN WHITE SATIN •END■

SHE SAID, "DON'T KILL THE ONE WITH BLACK HAIR."
BUT WHY?! HE KILLED MOST OF US!
LADY JILGE,
WHAT DID THE STAFF OFFICER SAY ABOUT THE DRAGON KNIGHTS?
KNIGHT
FEEL FREE TO KILL THE OTHER TWO.
HE MUST RETURN TO THE CAPITAL ALIVE.
RIGHT. NOW WHAT?
YES.
I'M SORRY MADAM.
I SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN SO OUT-SPOKEN
OH, NO...
WHAT?
YES, MADAM.
DRAQUEEN'S DRAGON KNIGHTS, MADAM?
YES!
YES!
OH?
DON'T KILL THEM?!
BUT THEY KILLED LORD NADIL!
THERE IT IS!
IT'S A PIECE OF THE MAP.
WHEN I GET ALL THE PIECES, I CAN FIND THE THREE TREASURES.
AND THEN...

HOW'S IT GOING?
HELLO!
DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF FODOR'S DEMON GUIDE?!
YOU'RE DESPERATE, RATH.
WE CLIMBED SO FAR...
OH, THAT GUIDE? HMM... LET ME SEE...
WHAT THE...
IT'S SOLD OUT.
HOW DO YOU EVEN GET CUSTOMERS UP HERE?
WHAT?! THIS IS THE TWELFTH STORE!
SO-
SOLD OUT?!

USE THE TREASURE TO LEAD THEM INTO MIRATTE'S CAVE.
THEY'LL JUMP ON IT.
HUFF
HUFF
GASP
GASP
HERE
RING
BOOK
HEY, THERE!
GO.
AND CHECK UP ON THE GIRL AT THE MAN-EATING WITCH'S CAVE, TOO.

KODOCHA IS HERE!
ON SALE
COME ON...
UM... SIR?
I WON'T LET YOU!
BUT!
...AND WIN PRIZES.
WITH EACH BOOK PURCHASE, YOU CAN ENTER OUR CONTEST...
P-PRIZES?!
きらきら
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THANKS.
WE'RE BUYING THIS ONE, THOUGH.
RIIING!

FOR DELICACIES?
YOU MEAN...?
WHAT ARE YOU BUYING?
A MAP.
やや?
WHAT? PEOPLE ONLY GET IT SO THEY KNOW WHAT PLACES TO AVOID.
I won't fall behind!
PLEASE, IGNORE HIM, WE DO EVERY DAY.
YOUR VEINS ARE POPPING OUT.
THATZ!
DON'T MAKE ME SAY IT,
TRYING TO FIND SHORTCUTS TO DRAQUEEN, RIGHT?
Shut up!

HA HA HA..
NO! WAIT!!
..AND RIP IT TO SHREDS!
ALRIGHT, WE'LL TAKE IT.
PLEASE, I INSIST.
SORRY, NO CAN DO.
HEY!
IS THERE A RUNNER-UP PRIZE?
THANKS, BUT WE CAN'T ACCEPT IT!
?!
WHAT ?!

CONGRATULATIONS!
YOU WON FIRST PRIZE!
YOU WIN A GROUP TICKET
AND A MAP TO THE TREASURE HUNT AT MIRATTE'S CAVE!
YOU'RE LUCKY!
THERE'S A TREASURE HUNT GOING ON.
FIRST PRIZE
MR. THATZ ME
WHAT DO WE GET?
MONEY? TREASURE?
TEARS OF JOY
SAY WHAT ?!

MIRATTE'S CAVE TREASURE HUNT
SHE'S GONE INSIDE.
HM.
To Miratte's Cave! Charge!!
BOING!
THE TREASURE'S OURS!
FORGET THE TREASURE.
THAT WAS OUR ONLY MAP HOME!
WHATEVER
WE'RE GOING IN!
HA HA HA HA...
GOT THE TREASURE MAP!?
UH...
HM?!
BYE! ♡
THAT WAS NO DEMON!
THE TICKET AND THE MAP!
WHAAA!! THE MAP TO THE CAPITAL!
OOF!
LET'S GO!
YEAH!

AM I IN, TOO?
BUT, WHAT'S THE POINT?
LET'S GO!
NO DEMONS, THOUGH.
GOTTA GRAB AS MUCH AS WE CAN.
THIS IS FOR THE PUBLIC.
RATH, LOOK.
?

WE WERE EXPECTING YOU.
PARTY OF THREE. COME ON IN.
SIR?
BUT YOU WERE EXCITED A MINUTE AGO...
YOU NEVER NEED TICKETS.
RELAX. I USED TO BE IN A GANG.
SHE SET THIS UP FOR YOU.
DID A GIRL COME BY HERE?
I CAN'T BELIEVE THEY FELL FOR IT! IDIOTS.
WHY'D SHE STEAL THE MAP, THEN?
YOU SURE?
I DON'T GET IT.

MIRATTE'S CAVE USED TO BE CONTROLLED BY NADIL'S DEMONS.
MAYBE ...
THEY'RE ...
STILL ..
HERE!
RIGHT?
RIGHT! THEY COULD BE HERE!
DON'T FORGET THE TREASURE!
FIGHT! YEAH!
I'M IN!
WHY DID YOU LET HIM GO IN ALONE?!
WE'LL FIND MORE TREASURE IF WE SPLIT UP! I'LL FOLLOW THE GIRL.
HEY! BUT I WANT TO GET THE MAP BACK!
YOU KNOW RUNE,
THAT GIRL IS A ONE-MAN GANG.
ARE YOU SAYING ...
YEP. THE MAP MAY BE GONE FOREVER. SHE'S A PRO.
WHAT?!
THAT GIRL!
I'LL MAKE HER PAY!
CRACK!
THATZ SEEMS UNUSUALLY DISTURBED BY HER.
HM...
Where's Rune?
WAIT! I'LL GO WITH YOU.
THAT'S FINE, I GUESS.
THIS PLACE IS DANGEROUS FOR AMATEURS.
THEY'VE SPLIT UP.
UP.

WHAT IF THEY TAKE ALL THE TREASURES EXCEPT THE SNOW SWORD?
SWORD
THEN, MOVE IT! LEAD THEM TO THE SWORD!
YES, MA'AM.
MA'AM
THE ROCK'S LEADING ME THAT WAY..
TO THE EXIT...
WELL, THE STONE DOESN'T LIE.
EXIT
THEN WHY'D THEY BOTHER MAKING A MAP?
HOW WEIRD. AN EXIT SIGN?
ONLY I CAN DEFROST THEM.
HA HA HA
BUT THEY'RE NOT HEADING TO THE EXIT!
EXIT!
WHAT?!
DEMONS OWNED THAT CAVE
AND STILL DO.
THEY'LL FIND THE TREASURE THE SNOW SWORD, AT THE EXIT.
ONCE THEY TOUCH IT,
THEY WILL BE ENCASED IN ICE.
AND THAT WILL BE THEIR DOOM.
THE SIGN SAYS, THE EXIT IS THAT WAY!
FORGET IT! THEY ALWAYS SAY THAT TO PROTECT THE TREASURE!

LET'S GO!!
WE MUST OVERCOME ALL OBSTACLES TO GET THE TREASURE!
I CAN'T MAKE THEM TURN AROUND!
AROUND!
I BET THERE'S A DEMON HIDING IN THERE.
VE DON'T NEED A AP NOW.
DON'T TOSS IT!
SOKE!
JUST ANOTHER TREASURE.
TOSS
...
OH?
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HA!
IT'S GETTING MORE DANGER-OUS!
I KNOW
TH-
THATZ!
NO RISK, NO GAIN!
KIGHT?
がは!
NOT A DEMON.
JUST A TRICK.
HUH... IT'S FAKE?
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?

TO THE EXIT, THEN?
RIGHT!
I'M A GUIDE!
THE GREATER THE DANGER, THE BIGGER THE TREASURE.
EXIT
SIR?
IT'S ALL PARLOR TRICKS.
PHEW!
HEY, WHAT ABOUT RATH?!
OK. TO THE EXIT, RUNE!
AND NO DEMONS.
TRAPPED

SILENCE
AAAAGH!!
WHERE ARE THE DEMONS ?!
WE'RE JUST IGNORING YOU.
THIS SUCKS!
LET'S GO, RUNE!

THAT'S IT!
A PIECE OF THE MAP!
HAVE TO DIG TO GET IT.
カンッ!
DO YOU NEED HELP?
NO, NO. I'M FINE!
.....
LEAVING YOUR BACK OPEN?
BAD MOVE
SHOOT!
TURN AROUND SLOWLY.
HMM?

UH-OH! YOU STILL REMEMBER THAT?!
Oh, Boy!
HEY!
YOU STOLE ALL OUR STUFF!
IT IS, WITH THE RADAR STONE I GOT FROM SOME GUY!
THAT'S NOT EASY.
WELL, NOW I'M LOOKING FOR PIECES OF THE MAP.
UH...
HOW ABOUT YOU?! STILL IN A GANG?!
SO, WHAT'S NEW? I HEARD YOU QUIT BEING A THUG.
Looking through with that scan?
WHO'S THAT?
HE WOULDN'T BELIEVE ME IF I SAID LORD LYKOULEON GAVE IT TO ME.
I CAN'T TELL HER I QUIT THE GANG TO WORK FOR LORD LYKOULEON!

THATZ ...?
UM... YEAH?
TH-
WHAAAA?!
HUG
かばっ!
I KNEW IT!
.....
she knows her?
KITCHEL!
WE USED TO BE IN RIVAL GANGS IN DRAQUEEN!
DON'T YOU REMEMBER ME?!

GO FOR IT, THAT'S!
I CAN'T REACH IT!
OW, FORGET THIS!
!
! EARTH?!
LORD NADIL'S HEAD!

BLAB! BLAH! BLARGH!
HEY, WHAT ABOUT THE TREASURE?
YOU'RE RIGHT!
IT'S THAT SWORD, RIGHT?
I KEEP THE MAP PIECE AND YOU GET THE SWORD, RIGHT?
OH, I DON'T KNOW. I HEAR THE MAP'S WORTH A LOT.
MAYBE I'LL SNATCH THE WHOLE THING.
THEY GIVE ME A HEAD-ACHE...
YOU'LL FREEZE TO DEATH IN A SECOND!
ALMOST THERE!

!
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FIRE?!
THANKS FOR HANGIN' ON TO...
LORD NADIL'S...

ATHENA
THE GUIDE WAS TALKING ABOUT?
HEY, IS THIS TRAP THE TOUGH ENEMY
THAT SO WAS BORING!
COME ON, THATZ!
EXIT
?
HMPH!
But I can give you directions
SORRY, I THREW IT AWAY.
UM...
CAN WE HAVE THE MAP TO THE CAPITAL BACK NOW?

THAT'S RUNE!
CRK
CRK
CRK
...
HUH?
I ALMOST GOT THE SWORD!
WHAT A WASTE!
BUT, I HAD TO.
HEY! WE LOST THE TREASURE, THANKS TO YOU!
I WAS TRAPPED UNDER-GROUND
YOU AND YOUR FIRE!
TRAPPED?

THATZ

NO COMMENT!
CAN T TELL M?
KITCHEL, DON'T TELL!
Tell me the way to the capital!
Hmm! Hmm!
OF COURSE! COMES WITH MY TERRITORY. ♪
DO YOU KNOW THE WAY?
RATH, RIGHT?
YOU GUYS ARE WEIRD.
DEMONS' LOCA-TIONS, PLEASE!
Hey!
OK, THEN...
VISIT THE FORTUNE-TELLERS IN THE CITY OF CHANTEL.
IT'S CLOSE-BY.
SHUT UP!!
YOU CAN'T HIDE THAT MAP FOREVER!
DID THATZ REALLY QUIT THE GANG?
THAT'S WHAT THE LORD SAID.
OF COURSE, I'LL BE MAKING A LOT MORE WITH THE MAP!
SO LONG, THATZ! GOOD LUCK MAKING A LITTLE MONEY!
FINDERS KEEPERS ◎ END

カサ!
SERIAL DEMON KILLER?
CRAZED CRIME SPREE?
HOW FAR WILL THEY GO?
THANK YOU, LITTLE ZOMA.
YOU'RE WELCOME, CESIA! I WANNA HELP YOU CAUSE I LOVE YOU.
DEMON PAPERS ALL SOUND THE SAME.
BUT THOSE DRAGON KNIGHTS SURE ARE BUSY.
OH, AND I GOT YOU SOMETHING.
OH?
HERE!
HUMAN FLESH! YOUR AVORITE.
ANY NEWS ON NADIL'S REVIVAL?
I SAVED IT FOR YOU!
HERE!

YOU'RE A DEMON...
...BUT YOU LOOK HUMAN!
THAT'S THE WAY THE FORTUNE COOKIE CRUMBLES

ZOMA, MY MASTER'S DEAD NOW.
AND I'M JUST A FOSTER CHILD, NOT A REAL WITCH.
BUT IT'S SO GOOD!
BUT I DON'T EAT THAT ANYMORE.
SORRY, ZOMA.
REALLY?
MAYBE THE MASTER'S SPELL IS BROKEN.
CESIA, YOUR HAIR AND FACE HAVE CHANGED.
I JUST WANT TO MEET THEM.
DON'T KNOW WHAT I'D SAY TO THEM.
I GUESS I WANNA FIND MY REAL PARENTS NOW.

EXCUSE ME?
WHAT'S THE LINE FOR?
WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?
YOU DON'T KNOW?!
Stand in line!
THE MOST POPULAR FORTUNE-TELLERS, THE TWIN STAR SISTERS!
THE STARS ON THEIR FOREHEADS TELL YOU EVERYTHING!
HOW ABOUT LUNCH AND A FORTUNE-TELLER?
LET'S NOT WASTE TIME.
SOUNDS BETTER.
WHAT IS IT?
STARS?
HOW WEIRD!

FORTUNE-TELLER STREET, EH?
Cheap fortune-teller
IT'S SLEAZY ENOUGH TO BE.
COME ON IN!
YEAH.
There they are!
BUZZ
DASH
HM. DUNNO
WHICH ONE?
DON'T PUSH!
Stand in line!!

BUT FIRST, LET'S EAT!
I'M COMIN'!
OK, LET'S GO THAT WAY.
THAT PACK-AGE...
I'LL ASK HER RIGHT NOW!
WELL, THAT'S WHAT WE CAME HERE FOR!
C'MON!
SLOW DOWN, THATZ!
ANOTHER FORTUNE TELLER!
WEIRDOS!
MADAM, TELL ME HOW TO GET TO...
ACK!
WHERE ARE THE DEMONS?!
TELL US WHERE THE MONEY IS!!
?!
DON'T STIR THINGS UP!
COME ON! WE'RE HERE FOR FORTUNE-TELLING!
.....
RATH, THATZ, WILL YOU GUYS CUT IT OUT?!
HEY, DON'T YOU HAVE ENOUGH MONEY?
STILL HAVEN'T HAD ENOUGH?!
BACK OFF!

IT MUST BE TRUE...
THEY STILL HAVE THAT PACKAGE.
I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE YOU AGAIN.
UH...
I'M CESIA.
SMILE
DID YOU QUIT YOUR OLD JOB?
THAT WAS MY MASTER'S STORE,
BUT SHE WAS BLOWN AWAY IN A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.
Did it with Nadil's Head
Encouraged it
OWNED
WHAT'S WRONG?
OH, THING.
I'M ON THE ROAD NOW, LOOKING FOR MY REAL PARENTS.
SHE WAS OLD, AND SHE WAS THE WORST FOSTER MOTHER.
BUT NOT TO WORRY.

IT'S YOU!!!
WHAT THE ?!
ZOMA TOLD ME THEY HAVE NADIL'S HEAD...
DRAGON KNIGHT!
YOU NEVER PAID US!
SLAM

YES.
THE WAY TO THE CAP..
AND YOU'RE RUNE, RIGHT?
I MEAN, TELL ME HOW LORD LYKOULEON IS DOING.
FIND A WAY TO BREAK THE SPELL.
TOO MUCH WORK.
WOW, IT'S DRA-QUEEN! IT'S KINDA BLURRY.
LOOK!
WISH HARDER.
DRA-QUEEN?
LET'S TRY.

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW?
SHALL WE START?
THAT MUST BE NADIL'S HEAD...
TAKE TURNS PLEASE!
easy easy
THE WAY TO THE CAPITAL!
DEMONS' LOCA-TIONS!
TREA-SURES!!
FIRST, TREASURE LOCA-TIONS.
I DIDN'T KNOW.
Phew
IS CURSED AND VERY DANGEROUS TO REMOVE. BE CAREFUL.
THE TREASURE, THE SNOW SWORD,
BEEN THERE ALREADY.
MIRAT CAVE

THIS FUNNY-LOOKIN' GUY!
RATH!
"HIS HIGH-NESS!"
HEY!
RATH!
WATCH IT!
NAH, THE LORD'S IMMORTAL. HE'S REALLY AN OLD GEEZER.
HE'S VERY YOUNG.
HE SAW ME?!
EASY, RUNE, OR YOU'LL KILL HIM!
I'M GLAD THE LORD'S FINE.
NO WAY!

I DIDN'T KNOW I COULD LOOK AT THE DRAGON LORD!
I SENSE NADIL'S HEAD.
CLOSED FOR BREAK
REALLY ?!
INDEED. IT'S THAT PACKAGE.
WE MUST GET IT BEFORE NADIL'S ARMY.
NADIL'S ARMY IS NEAR?
COME ON! REMEMBER THAT GIRL IN THE CHEAP RESTAURANT?
MY HUNCH TELLS ME THAT CESIA, HAS SOMETHING TO DO...
...WITH NADIL'S ARMY.
DRA-QUEEN IS BEAU-TIFUL.
IT'S ALL THANKS TO DRAGON LORD'S PROTECTION.
OH, THERE'S THE LITTLE GUY!

NO.
WE BELIEVE YOU.
THEY ARE MY COMPETITORS.
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BELIEVE ME.
THEIR FORTUNE TELLING IS ACCURATE...
...BUT THEY MANIPULATE PEOPLE AND FEED
ON THEIR SOULS.
FINE. BUT BEWARE THEIR TRUE FACES.
IT'LL BE GREAT IF THE KNIGHTS GET RID OF THE TWINS!
MAYBE I CAN GET NADIL'S HEAD, TOO.
I'LL SEE.

THAT'S EASY.
THEY'RE RIGHT HERE.
FORGET THE DUDE! WHERE ARE THE DEMONS?
HEY! WATCH YOUR MOUTH, RATH!
HEY, GUYS!
I WANTED TO SEE HIM LONGER!
THAT'S IT?
THE IMAGE DOESN'T LAST LONG.
FIND THE TWIN STAR SISTERS!
YOU'RE RUDE, RATH.
N...
NO! OF COURSE NOT!
ARE YOU ONE?!

WELCOME!
WHAT DO YOU WISH TO KNOW?
LIFE? LOVE? BUSINESS?
GUESS WHAT THIS IS.
IS THAT YOUR QUESTION ...?
WHAT?!
HMM?
NO.
TELL ME WHERE TO FIND DEMONS.
WE WILL CONSULT THE HIDDEN POWERS.
MAYBE THEY'RE NOT DEMONS.

NEXT!
TWO-HOUR WAIT! 'BOUT TIME.
THIS WAY, PLEASE.

WATER!
!!
FIRE!
AAAAGH!!
RATH!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
THANKS
CAN I PAY YOU WITH THIS?
WHAT?!
YOU'LL GIVE US THAT?

RUNE... I NEED YOUR WATER DRAGON.
HUH?
WATER?
"BEWARE THEIR TRUE FACES."
I'LL SUR-PRISE THEM.
WHY ...?
TRUE FACES...
THERE ARE NO DEMONS NEARBY.
WE HAVE THE ANSWER.
OK!
PLEASE... WISH HARDER.
YOU NEVER LET HIM OUT! WE ALWAYS USE OUR DRAGONS!
BUT WHY WATER ...?
Oh

RATH!
NICE TRY!
CAN'T BEAT THOSE FACES!
RATH! WHY ARE YOU RUNNING?!
WHAAA!
I CAN'T MOVE!
GIVE US NADIL'S HEAD!
THEN, WE'LL BE THE STRONGEST DEMONS IN THE LAND!
THEY'RE NOT NADIL'S SOLDIERS...
DUKU!!

IS THAT THEM?!
MAKE THEM GO AWAY!
ACK! THEY'RE HAGS! I THOUGHT THEY WERE HOT!
TRUE FACES...
YOU'VE SEEN OUR TRUE FACES!
PREPARE TO DIE, DRAGON KNIGHTS!

R-
'RUNE?
SHOOT!
カチャ
RATH,
DON'T USE FIRE!
YOU'LL BREAK THE SWORD!
YOU!
GHHHH
WIND...
FREEZE
RATH!
MOVE!
RATH!
?!
WIND FORCE...

I TOLD YOU...
...TO BEWARE OF THEIR TRUE FACES.
CESIA!
WHY?!
WHY DID YOU HELP THE DRAGON KNIGHTS?

AAAH! CRAP!
CRACKED !!
OH, No!!
RATH! DO SOMETHING! THE OLD HAGS ARE COMING!
BUT, THE SWORD.. WHY DON'T YOU GUYS --
SHUT UP! WE'RE STILL UNDER THEIR SPELL!
GIVE US
NADIL'S HEAD!

?
LOOK, THE WITCH'S CRYS-TAL...
IT'S SHIN-ING!
THANKS, ZOMA.
NOW YOU HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE CAPITAL,
EH, RATH?
WHAT-EVER!

ZOMA, I'LL GIVE YOU NADIL'S HEAD.
TAKE IT TO NADIL'S ARMY AND—
NO, THANKS
I JUST HAD THE DRAGON KNIGHTS DO MY DIRTY WORK!
YOU SHOULD'VE KILLED 'EM ALL!
WELL, I HATED THE TWINS.
BUT IF I KILLED THEM, NADIL'S ARMY SHOULD HAVE FOUND ME!
THEY'LL COME AND TAKE YOU AWAY!
THEY'LL BE SUSPICIOUS!
I DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN, CESIA!
BUT, ZOMA...
OH, ZOMA...

YOU USE IT TOO MUCH! IF YOU WEREN'T ALWAYS CHASING DEMONS, THIS WOULDN'T HAPPEN!

HOW MANY TIMES NOW?

IT BROKE BY ITSELF!

THAT'S YOUR PROBLEM. YOU BROKE THE SWORD!

YOU'RE SO RUDE!

DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS GUY!

BUT FIRE HAS NO PLACE TO GO!

OH, PLEASE!

FORGOT...

HE'S OUT OF CONTROL!

WATCH, HE'LL BREAK THE ARMOR NEXT.

YOU'RE THE ONE WHO BREAKS THEM!

BUT A COMMON SWORD CAN'T TAKE MY FORCE!

YOU CAN'T KEEP BREAKING THE THINGS THE DRAGON LORD GIVES YOU!

RTUNE COOKIE CRUMBLES● END ■

IS THIS IT?
WHAT'S IN IT?
SIR, WE'RE READY!
WORN-OUT SHOES, TORN SHIRT, BROKEN GLASS, BROKEN ROOF TILE, ETC. SIR!
THAT'S ENOUGH.
LET'S SEE.
WE'LL SWITCH NADIL'S HEAD WITH THIS DUMMY!
WE WILL GET EVEN WITH NADIL'S ARMY!

DARK AND STORMY KNIGHTS

I KNEW IT!!
GRRRR!!!
I SAID THE HEAD
Oh, shut up!!
WE'LL GO HOME SOON.
OW!
LET'S SEE.
STOP THAT!
YOU SURE?
I DIDN'T WANT IT TO SMELL.
NO, IT WON'T.
I PUT AN ANTI-SEPTIC IN IT.
NADIL'S HEAD WILL GET MOLDY IF WE DON'T GO HOME NOW!

I'M KINDA WORRIED ABOUT THE LORD AND NADIL'S HEAD.
WHO ARE YOU?! WHAT DID YOU DO TO RATH?
SO, YOU...
WE'D BETTER GO HOME FIRST, RIGHT?
BUT,
HUH?
NO DEMONS!
NO, I DIDN'T!
DID YOU SAY...
YOU IM-PLIED IT.
OW!
YEAH, RIGHT!
I SAID, NO DEMONS!
WHAT KINDA DEMONS ARE THEY?
SO, THERE'RE DEMONS, EH?

I AL-MOST FOR-GOT.
HM.
OH, IS THERE A PRO-BLEM?
TEA AND SNACKS
WATCH OUT FOR THE DEMONS IN THE FOREST!
CLICK!

GRR!
HM?
ハァ…!

THAT'S NOT EXACTLY A GOOD THING!
WOW!
NADIL'S HEAD TURNED INTO ROAST BEEF!
ARGH!
BUT! BUT!
LOOKS TASTY!
BUT THE PACKAGE! THAT'S...
RELAX, RUNE.
NADIL'S HEAD IS GONE!
DAAAASH
THAT WAS A DECOY.
THE REAL ONE HAS A LITTLE BLUE RIBBON ON IT.
this beef's really good
cute, huh?

NO.
SEE 'EM?
WE LET THEM GET AWAY.
NO SWEAT. LET'S GET THEM IN THE MORNING.
?
WHAT THE ...?!

THEY HAVEN'T EVEN CHECKED OUT.
YOU GOT NADIL'S HEAD?!
LET'S SEE...
GOOD JOB!
AND I MADE THE HOTEL JUST FOR THEM.
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OPEN
UM, SIR?
IT'S DANGER-OUS OUT THERE!
HAVE YOU SEEN RUNE?!
DASH
SIR?!
HE JUST LEFT.
HE WENT DEMON HUNTING ALL BY HIMSELF!
RATH, WAIT UP!
HE'S SUCH AN IDIOT!
LET'S GO, THATZ!

THIS IS THE REAL ONE.
SEE THE SIGN?
I HAVE A DECOY, JUST IN CASE.
REALLY?
WHAT?
HUH?
YOU MEAN THIS?
WE LOST NADIL'S HEAD, OK?!
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RIGHT ON!
HA, HA HA,
NO ONE ELSE MATTERS!
IT'S ALL FOR LORD LYKOULEON.
URK?
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WHERE SHOULD I LOOK?
IF WE FAIL ON THIS MISSION...
THAT'S!
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HEY.
WHAA!
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU TO BE SO EAGER FOR DEMON HUNTING!
HOW COULD I?!
COULDN'T YOU WAIT 'TIL THE MORNING?

WATER!
GO!
WHERE IS THAT GUY WHEN I NEED HIM?!
DID YOU LEAVE HIM AT THE HOTEL?
WHERE'S FIRE?
HEY!
WE'VE GOT NADIL'S HEAD!
HA HA HA HA HA!
HA HA HA HA HA!
HA HA HA HA HA!
HA HA HA HA HA!
STOP LAUGHING!

IT'S A CAVE!
I WON'T LET HIM GET INSIDE! EARTH!
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PASS!
WHAA!
PASS! PASS!
DRAGON KNIGHTS HONOR? REALLY?
OUR DRAGON KNIGHTS HONOR IS AT STAKE! LET'S GET 'EM!
THEY'RE GETTING AWAY!

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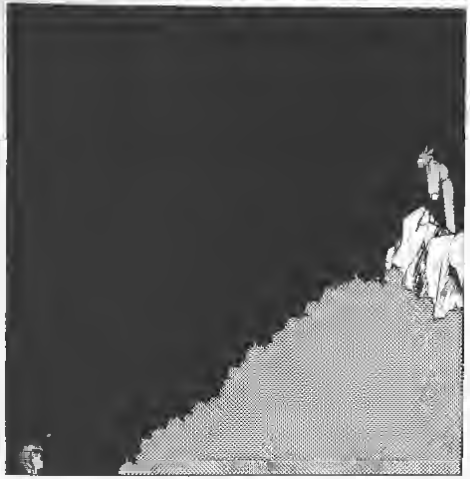
OW!
WHO HAD THE TIME TO MAKE ALL THESE?
I'M IM-PRESSED.
WHOA!



WOW!
THAT'S! EARTH IS TOO BIG! IT COLLAPSED THE CAVE!
SORRY!
LOOK.
WHAT, RATH?

OOPS!
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ラバァ...
YOU GOT NADIL'S HEAD?!
OPEN IT!
GOOD JOB!
NOT IT, EITHER!
I got the real one!!
IT'S NOT HERE...

JUST LOOK FOR THE RIBBON!
BUT...
WE GOTTA LOOK ONE-BY-ONE, NOW.
OH, NO!
NO WAY! JUST FIND THE RIBBON!
C'MON, OPEN THEM ALL UP!
NO TIME FOR A DEMON HUNT, EITHER..
ACK! THERE WON'T BE TIME FOR TREASURE HUNTING AFTER THIS!
THEY ALL HAVE BLUE RIBBONS! WE HAVE NO CHOICE!
I GOT IT! HEE-HEE.

CESIA? CESIA?
THEY DON'T KNOW I SWITCHED IT AT THE HOTEL.
ZOMA?
ARE YOU GONNA TAKE NADIL'S HEAD TO DRAQUEEN?
HEE HEE!
IT REALLY IS NADIL'S HEAD!
AND YOU?
I'LL GO SEE THE DRAGON LORD
WHEN DID EARTH GET SMALL?
WHAT?!
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THUD
SORRY. I FORGOT!
OH YEAH! THE REAL ONE HAD A RED RIBBON.
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